



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Priority Application Serial No. 09/556,064
Priority Filing Date 4/21/2000
Inventor Dent et al.
Applicant Microsoft Corporation
Attorney's Docket No. MS1-426USC1
Title: A System and Method for Secure Distribution of Information Via Email

CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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4. Fee Transmittal
5. Check for \$1390.00 (Payment for Extension)
6. Request for Continuation Application Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53 (b)
7. True copy of the prior application as filed including the specification (49 pages, claims 1-59 & Abstract)

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Priority Application Serial No.09/556,064
Priority Filing Date4/21/00
Inventor..... Saliba et al.
Applicant Microsoft Corporation
Priority Group Art Unit.....
Priority Examiner
Attorney's Docket No.MS1-426USC1
Title: A System and Method for Secure Distribution of Information Via Email

REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION

UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

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This is a request for filing a Continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of Application Serial No.,09/556,064 which was filed 4/21/00, and is entitled "A System and Method for Secure Distribution of Information Via Email" The prior application was submitted in the names of Saliba et al..

The prior application was a complete application as set forth in 37 CFR §1.51(a). The application papers being filed herewith are a true copy of the prior application as filed including the specification (with claims) and drawings.

No abandonment or termination of proceeding has occurred in the above-identified prior application.

The PTO did not receive the following
listed item(s) _____

The filing date of pending application Serial No. 09/556,064 is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

A previous power of attorney in the prior application is given to Lewis C. Lee, Reg. No. 34,656; Daniel L. Hayes, Reg. No. 34,618; Allan T. Sponseller, Reg. 38,318; Steven R. Sponseller, Reg. No. 39,384; James R. Banowsky, Reg. No. 37,773; Lance R. Sadler, Reg. No. 38,605; Michael A. Proksch, Reg. No. 43,021; Thomas A. Jolly, Reg. No. 39,241; Kasey C. Christie, Reg. No. 40,559; Nathan R. Rieth, Reg. No. 44,302; Brian G. Hart, Reg. No. 44,421 and David A. Morasch, Reg. No. 42,905.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2001

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT

(\$ 1390⁰⁰)

Complete if Known

Application Number	09/556,064
Filing Date	4/21/00
First Named Inventor	Saliba
Examiner Name	
Group Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	MSI-42645

METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number	
Deposit Account Name	

Charge Any Additional Fee Required
Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27

2. Payment Enclosed:

Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

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Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	710	201 355 Utility filing fee	
106	320	206 160 Design filing fee	
107	490	207 245 Plant filing fee	
108	710	208 355 Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214 75 Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	-20** =		
Multiple Dependent	-3*** =		

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Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203 9 Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202 40 Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209 40 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)

*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139 130 Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147 2,520 For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215 55 Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216 195 Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217 445 Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219 155 Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221 135 Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243 220 Design issue fee	
144	600	244 300 Plant issue fee	
122	130	122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(d)	
126	180	126 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246 355 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249 355 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279 355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____			

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 1390⁰⁰)

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